

Schwartz Space  
 Scott (GA) Spratt  
 Scott (VA) Stearns  
 Sensenbrenner Stupak  
 Serrano Sullivan  
 Sessions Tancredo  
 Sestak Tanner  
 Shays Taylor  
 Shea-Porter Terry  
 Sherman Thompson (CA)  
 Shimkus Thompson (MS)  
 Shuster Thornberry  
 Simpson Tiberi  
 Sires Tierney  
 Skelton Towns  
 Slaughter Tsongas  
 Smith (NE) Turner  
 Smith (NJ) Van Hollen  
 Smith (TX) Velazquez  
 Smith (WA) Visclosky  
 Snyder Walberg  
 Solis Walden (OR)  
 Souder Walsh (NY)

## NAYS—2

Frank (MA)

Woolsey

## NOT VOTING—58

Bachmann Hirono Rohrabacher  
 Braley (IA) Hobson Rothman  
 Brown, Corrine Honda Rush  
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 Gilchrest Neal (MA) Upton  
 Gonzalez Peterson (PA) Waxman  
 Granger Pickering Weldon (FL)  
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 Gutierrez Pryce (OH) Whitfield (KY)  
 Hare Rangel  
 Hinchey Reynolds

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So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Ms. HIRONO. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 148, had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

# SUPPORTING THE OBSERVANCE OF COLORECTAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution, H. Con. Res. 302, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. WYNN) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution, H. Con. Res. 302.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 371, nays 0, not voting 59, as follows:

[Roll No. 149]

## YEAS—371

Abercrombie Dent  
 Ackerman Diaz-Balart, L.  
 Aderholt Diaz-Balart, M.  
 Akin Doggett  
 Alexander Donnelly  
 Allen Doyle  
 Altmire Drake  
 Andrews Dreier  
 Arcuri Duncan  
 Baca Edwards  
 Bachus Ehlers  
 Baird Ellison  
 Baldwin Ellsworth  
 Barrett (SC) Emanuel  
 Barrow Emerson  
 Bartlett (MD) Engel  
 Barton (TX) English (PA)  
 Bean Eshoo  
 Becerra Everrett  
 Berkley Fallin  
 Berman Farr  
 Berry Fattah  
 Biggert Feeney  
 Bilbray Ferguson  
 Bilirakis Filner  
 Bishop (GA) Flake  
 Bishop (NY) Forbes  
 Bishop (UT) Fortenberry  
 Blackburn Foster  
 Blumenauer Foss  
 Blunt Frank (MA)  
 Boehner Franks (AZ)  
 Bonner Frelinghuysen  
 Bono Mack Gallegly  
 Boozman Garrett (NJ)  
 Boren Gerlach  
 Boswell Giffords  
 Boucher Gillibrand  
 Boustany Gingrey  
 Boyd (FL) Gohmert  
 Boyd (KS) Goode  
 Brady (PA) Goodlatte  
 Brady (TX) Gordon  
 Broun (GA) Graves  
 Brown (SC) Green, Al  
 Brown-Waite, Gene  
 Ginny Hall (NY)  
 Buchanan Hall (TX)  
 Burgess Harman  
 Burton (IN) Hastings (FL)  
 Butterfield Hastings (WA)  
 Buyer Hayes  
 Calvert Heller  
 Camp (MI) Hensarling  
 Campbell (CA) Herger  
 Cantor Herseeth Sandlin  
 Capito Higgins  
 Capps Hill  
 Capuano Hinojosa  
 Cardoza Hirono  
 Carnahan Hodes  
 Carney Hoekstra  
 Carson Holden  
 Carter Holt  
 Castle Hooley  
 Castor Hoyer  
 Chabot Hunter  
 Chandler Inglis (SC)  
 Clarke Inslee  
 Cleaver Israel  
 Clyburn Issa  
 Cohen Jackson (IL)  
 Cole (OK) Jackson-Lee  
 Conaway (TX)  
 Conyers Johnson (IL)  
 Cooper Johnson, E. B.  
 Costa Jones (NC)  
 Costello Jones (OH)  
 Courtney Jordan  
 Cramer Kagen  
 Crenshaw Kanjorski  
 Crowley Kaptur  
 Cuellar Keller  
 Culberson Kennedy  
 Cummings Kildee  
 Davis (AL) Kilpatrick  
 Davis (CA) King (IA)  
 Davis (KY) King (NY)  
 Davis, David Kirk  
 Davis, Lincoln Klein (FL)  
 Davis, Tom Kline (MN)  
 Deal (GA) Knollenberg  
 DeFazio Kucinich  
 Delahunt Kuhl (NY)  
 DeLauro LaHood

Reyes Shea-Porter  
 Richardson Sherman  
 Rodriguez Shimkus  
 Rogers (AL) Shuster  
 Rogers (KY) Simpson  
 Rogers (MI) Sires  
 Ros-Lehtinen Skelton  
 Roskam Slaughter  
 Ross Smith (NE)  
 Roybal-Allard Smith (NJ)  
 Royce Smith (TX)  
 Ruppersberger Smith (WA)  
 Ryan (OH) Snyder  
 Ryan (WI) Solis  
 Salazar Souder  
 Sali Space  
 Sanchez, Linda Spratt  
 T. Stearns  
 Saxton Stupak  
 Schakowsky Sullivan  
 Schiff Tancredo  
 Schmidt Tanner  
 Schwartz Taylor  
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## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Two minutes are remaining on this vote.

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So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the concurrent resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

# COMMUNICATION FROM THE HONORABLE MARION BERRY, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable MARION BERRY, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,  
 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
 Washington, DC, March 14, 2008.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,  
 Speaker, House of Representatives,  
 Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I have been served with a civil subpoena, issued by the U.S. Court of Federal Claims, for documents and testimony.

After consultation with counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena

is consistent with the precedents and privileges of the House.

Sincerely,

MARION BERRY,  
Member of Congress.

# RECOGNIZING UNITED STATES ARMY SPECIALIST MONICA L. BROWN

(Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to introduce legislation with my colleague, RON PAUL of Texas, that honors the sacrifice and courage of a young Army soldier. This happens to be Women's History Month, and this happens to be in honor of the heroic deeds of U.S. Army Specialist, Monica L. Brown.

I believe this legislation is especially pertinent, given that March is Women's History Month. Specialist Brown is the first woman in Afghanistan, and only the second female soldier since World War II, to receive the Silver Star, the Nation's third highest medal for valor. This soldier from Lake Jackson, Texas is only 19 years old.

On April 25, 2007, Specialist Brown was part of a four-vehicle convoy patrolling near Jani Kheil in the eastern province of Paktia on April 25, 2007, when a bomb struck one of the HUMVEES. When Specialist Brown saw fellow soldiers were injured, she grabbed her aid bag and started running toward the burning vehicle as insurgents opened fire, without regard to herself.

All five wounded soldiers from her platoon scrambled out. Under this commotion, she assessed her patients and moved them to a safer location because they were still receiving fire.

The Pentagon says that they don't send women to the front lines, but in Afghanistan and in Iraq there are no front lines.

She happens to be only the second woman to receive the Silver Star since World War II. We honor her with this resolution, H. Con. Res. 320.

I ask my colleagues to join me in this resolution.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce legislation that honors the sacrifice and courage of a young Army soldier. My colleague and fellow Texan, Representative RON PAUL seeks to recognize the heroic deeds of U.S. Army Specialist Monica L. Brown.

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and started running toward the burning vehicle as insurgents opened fire. All five wounded soldiers from her platoon scrambled out. Under this commotion, she assessed her patients and moved them to a safer location because they were still receiving incoming fire.

The Pentagon's official policy is to prohibit women from serving in front-line combat roles in the infantry, armor or artillery, but the nature of the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, with no real front lines, has seen women soldiers take part in close-quarters combat more than previous conflicts.

According to the Army four Army nurses in World War II were the first women to receive the Silver Star, though three nurses serving in World War I were awarded the medal posthumously in 2007. Sgt. Leigh Ann Hester, of Nashville, Tenn., was the first to receive the Silver Star in 2005 along with two fellow male soldiers for her gallantry during an insurgent ambush on a convoy in Iraq.

The Army has stated that Spec. Brown's "bravery, unselfish actions and medical aid rendered under fire saved the lives of her comrades and represents the finest traditions of heroism in combat."

This legislation is not about condoning the wars in Afghanistan or in Iraq. This legislation is about us supporting and honoring our troops. It is about this Nation's children fighting for the rights of all of us in places we do not dare to go, under environments we cannot fully appreciate from this comfortable position.

Spec. Brown reminds us that our youth are fighting in this war, our mothers and daughters are fighting in this war, and they deserve to be recognized for their achievements. However, we not only recognize the sacrifice and courage of Spec. Brown, of even just the brave acts of her fellow soldiers, marines, and airmen. We must also recognize the families of our military. Spec. Brown's grandmother said she was the proudest Grandmother in all of Lake Jackson, Texas, when she learned of her granddaughter's heroism. We should all be as proud of our young men and women as Spec. Brown's grandmother. In being proud of them, we are not condoning the Administration, we are recognizing their efforts and their belief in what they have been tasked to do.

We sit in these chambers and discuss the idea of war, and the economic costs to the Nation. However, our men and women in Afghanistan and Iraq are dealing with the realities of war everyday.

I am proud of Specialist Monica L. Brown, Texas is proud of Monica L. Brown, and this country should be proud of Monica L. Brown. She thought first of her fellow soldiers and not of the harm that may come her way.

Mr. Speaker, I encourage my colleagues to join Representative RON PAUL and myself in recognizing a true hero, a soldier, a daughter of Texas, with this legislation.

## THE RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS

(Mr. POE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. POE. Mr. Speaker, the Bill of Rights confers liberties on individuals to protect us from government power. Nowhere is this more apparent than in the second amendment. It states, "A well-regulated militia, being necessary to a free state, the right of the people

to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed."

The second amendment confers two rights; it allows individuals to bear arms, and it allows for a state militia, or the National Guard.

There are several reasons for the second amendment. But notice the phrase, "the right to bear arms." This is a military term. The colonists, who all owned firearms, were somewhat fearful of a strong Federal Government that would be oppressive and totalitarian. So it seems they wanted the right to protect themselves, individually and also collectively, through militias from not only outlaws but an outlaw Federal Government.

As the Supreme Court decides if the government can ban gun ownership, it would do well to adopt a lower court opinion which said, "The right to bear arms was premised on the private use of arms for activities such as hunting and self-defense; the latter being understood as a resistance to either private lawlessness or the depredation of a tyrannical government."

And that's just the way it is.

## CONGRATULATING THE UNIVERSITY OF MEMPHIS TIGERS

(Mr. COHEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, as most everybody in America knows, this is March Madness, and March Madness is a wonderful experience when people cheer for their basketball teams and watch great athletes compete for the national championship.

One of the teams competing in San Antonio for the national championship will be the University of Memphis Tigers, my home university and my alma mater. We are extremely proud of the University of Memphis. And in Tennessee, it was 173 years ago that a great group of Tennesseans, including my predecessor from the Western District of Tennessee, Davy Crockett, went to the Alamo. This time, Mr. Speaker, it's going to be a different story. Tennesseans will win, have a victory in San Antonio, and your Congressman who is in the House will come back to the House.

## SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 18, 2007, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

## CORPORAL SCOTT A. MCINTOSH— TEXAS WARRIOR

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. POE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. POE. Mr. Speaker, the youth of our Nation have always been willing to